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<u>PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME</u> <u>UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)</u>

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed July 15, 2003. A check for the extension fee in the amount of \$110.00 and for Request for Continued Examination in amount of \$770.00 is attached. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

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